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- [] Together with the present application.
- [X] Before the first Office Action on the merits or three (3) months from the filing date of this application, whichever occurs last. [37 CFR § 1.97(b)]
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Consistent with Applicant's obligations pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98, the following requirements have been met:

- [X] No separate requirements are needed.
- [X] No additional fee is required.

[] Fee Under 37 CFR § 1.97(c)

The fee of \$180.00 for submission of an IDS under \$1.97(c) as set forth in \$1.17(p) accompanies this statement.

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	[]	A copy of the Search Report from a corresponding British application is enclosed herewith.				
	[]	A copy of the International Search Report from a corresponding or related PCT application is enclosed herewith.				

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- [] This application relies, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, on the earlier filing date of prior U.S. Application No(s).

 The following references were submitted to, and/or cited by, the Office in the prior application(s) and therefore are not required to be provided in this application:
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Respectfully submitted,

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